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1. FOLLOWING PARA G WAS INADVERTANTLY OMITTED FROM  
TRANSMISSION IN REFTEL:

2. G. COOPERATION WITH ALLIES. THE US BELIEVES THAT  
SIGNIFICANT SAVINGS ARE POSSIBLE THROUGH GREATER COOPER-  
ATION IN SUCH AREAS AS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, PROCURE-  
MENT, COMMUNICATIONS, AND TRAINING. WE HOPE, THEREFORE,  
THAT THE UK COULD JOIN SUBSTANTIVELY IN DISCUSSIONS WITH  
THE US AND OTHER ALLIES LOOKING TOWARD THE IDENTIFICATION  
OF SPECIFIC AREAS FOR ATTENTION. SUCH DISCUSSIONS MIGHT  
PERMIT THE UK TO ESTABLISH SAVINGS GOALS WHICH WOULD BE  
TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT IN ITS PLANNED DEFENSE CUTS.SUCH ARRANGE-  
MENTS COULD INCLUDE APPROPRIATE ASSURANCES THAT THE  
BALANCE OF PAYMENTS OR OTHER FINANCIAL CONSEQUENCES OF  
INCREASED COOPERATIVE ENDEAVORS SHOULD BE BALANCED  
EQUITABLY AMONG THE PARTICIPANTS. (FYI: IN ITS RESPONSE

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TO US NOVEMBER COMMENTS, UK AGREED THAT A DETERMINED EFFORT

IS NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE GREATER COOPERATION, PARTICULARLY  
IN SUCH AREAS AS R AND D AND PROCUREMENT. IT WELCOMED  
USG'S SUGGESTION OF DISCUSSIONS WITH UK AND OTHER ALLIES  
AND US WILLINGNESS TO ENTER INTO EQUITABLE BILATERAL OR

MULTILATERAL ARRANGEMENTS. UK SAID IT HAS ALSO LAUNCHED  
INITIATIVE WITH ITS EUROGROUP PARTNERS DIRECTED  
TOWARDS SIMILAR ENDS. UK HOPED TO BE ABLE TO COMMENT IN  
GREATER DETAIL ON THIS SUBJECT BEFORE LONG. END FYI.)

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